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SECRETARY KISSINGER (In German): I am glad to have the opportunity to report to the Foreign Minister and the Chancellor about my talks with the South African Ministers. We are trying to prevent the expansion of the war in Rhodesia and South-West Africa and to reach a peaceful solution by means of negotiations. Relations between Europe and Africa are of great importance, and, therefore, we discuss all our initiatives with our friends and allies in the Federal Republic. For me, it is a great personal pleasure to see the Chancellor and the Foreign Minister here and to consult with them.

(In English): I am coming here to report to the Chancellor and the Foreign Minister about my discussions with the South African Prime Minister about the initiatives the United States is undertaking in southern Africa to prevent an expansion of the conflict and to find a negotiated solution. The problems of Africa are not problems for the United States alone; they concern Europe deeply as well, and in Namibia, of course, the Federal Republic has a very special historic interest. It is always a pleasure for me to see my friends the Chancellor and the Foreign Minister. We will exchange ideas on my trip and all other subjects, and I look forward very much to this opportunity to see them. Thank you.

FOREIGN MINISTER GENSCHER (In German): May I once again very cordially welcome you to the Federal Republic of Germany. The Federal Government supports within its possibilities the efforts of the American Secretary of State for a peaceful solution of the problems in southern Africa.

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